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- 1. I HAVE REVIEWED THE DRAFT LIST OF SPECIFIC GOALS AND OBJECTIVES AND HAVE THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTED CHANGES TO PROPOSE:
- 2. UNDER PART I, THE PEACE CORPS SUBPARAGRAPH SHOULD READ: "PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS ARE ASSIGNED TO PROJECTS WHICH WILL BRING SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, MEDICAL OR EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS TO THE DISADVANTAGED SECTORS OF THE AFGHAN POPULATION."
- 3. UNDER PART I, EXCHANGE PROGRAMS, THE SUBPARAGRAPH SHOULD READ: "EXCHANGE PROGRAMS ARE FOCUSED ON LEADERS AND PROJECTS WHICH DIRECTLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.
- 4. PART II, FIRST SUBPARAGRAPH SHOULD READ: "ENCOURAGING A DYNAMIC ROLE FOR THE NEWLY FORMED JOINT COMMISSION ON NARCOTICS AND URGE, WHEN APPROPRIATE, AN EXPANSION OF ITS MEMBERSHIP AND MANDATE." COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THE JOINT COMMISSION IS SO NEW THAT FOR THE MOMENT IT IS INCONFIDENTIAL

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APPROPRIATE TO PRESS FOR EXPANSION. THE IMPORTANT THING FOR THE NEXT YEAR IS TO MAKE SURE THE COMMISSION MEETS PERIODICALLY AND PLAYS A USEFUL ROLE ON ITS FIRST PROJECT, THE UPPER HELMAND.

5. IN PART II, THIRD SUBPARAGRAPH, SUBSTITUTE "DIFFICULT" FOR "DANGEROUS".

6. UNDER PART IV, CHANGE THE SECOND SUBPARAGRAPH TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "ENCOURAGE THE AFGHANS TO CONTINUE THEIR PROMISING DETENTE DISCUSSIONS WITH PAKISTAN CONCERNING THE STATUS OF THE PUSHTUN AND BALUCH PEOPLES, AND PROMOTE FRIENDSHIP, COOPERATION AND TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES."

7. UNDER PART IV, ADD A NEW PARAGRAPH AS FOLLOWS: "ENCOURAGE AFGHANISTAN TO DIVERSIFY ITS ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND MILITARY SUPPORT RELATIONSHIPS TO REDUCE AFGHAN RELIANCE ON THE SOVIET UNION".

8. UNDER PART IV, AN EXPANDED SUBSECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "NEGOTIATE A BILATERAL CONSULAR CONVENTION IF THE AFGHAN GOVT EVINCES INTEREST IN SUCH AN AGREEMENT." COMMENT: BECAUSE OF AFGHANISTAN'S SENSITIVITY TO SETTING A PRECEDENT APPLICABLE TO THE SOVIET UNION, WE THINK IT MOOT WHETHER THE GOA WILL IN FACT SEEK A BILATERAL CONSULAR CONVENTION. WE SHOULD NOT PUSH THEM.

9. I HOPE THAT ANY NEW DRAFT CAN BE DISCUSSED WITH AMBASSADOR ELIOT BEFORE BEING MADE FINAL. AMSTUTZ

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